

VZCZCXRO5083
PP RUEHCI RUEHRN
DE RUEHKT #0769 2300739
ZNR UUUUU ZZH
P 180739Z AUG 09
FM AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0645
INFO RUEHAS/AMEMBASSY ALGIERS 0096
RUEHBJ/AMEMBASSY BEIJING 7083
RUEHEG/AMEMBASSY CAIRO 0035
RUEHLM/AMEMBASSY COLOMBO 7401
RUEHCO/AMEMBASSY COTONOU 0012
RUEHDR/AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM 0151
RUEHKA/AMEMBASSY DHAKA 2732
RUEHIL/AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD 5443
RUEHLO/AMEMBASSY LONDON 6569
RUEHMO/AMEMBASSY MOSCOW 0139
RUEHNE/AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI 3181
RUEHQT/AMEMBASSY QUITO 0076
RUEHSF/AMEMBASSY SOFIA 0056
RUEHVI/AMEMBASSY VIENNA 0110
RUEHVL/AMEMBASSY VILNIUS 0009
RUEHCI/AMCONSUL KOLKATA 4715
RUEHGV/USMISSION GENEVA 2389
RHMFIUU/CDR USPACOM HONOLULU HI
RUEHFR/USMISSION UNESCO PARIS
RUEAIIA/CIA WASHDC
RUEHUNV/USMISSION UNVIE VIENNA 0007
RHEFDIA/DIA WASHDC
RHEHNSC/NSC WASHDC
RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHDC
RUCNDT/USMISSION USUN NEW YORK 3624
RUEHRN/USMISSION UN ROME

UNCLAS KATHMANDU 000769

SENSITIVE
SIPDIS

DEPT FOR IO/UNESCO (KELLY SIEKMAN) AND SCA/INSB

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: [PREL](#) [PGOV](#) [NP](#)

SUBJECT: NEPAL UNDECIDED ABOUT UNESCO DIRECTOR GENERAL
CANDIDATES

REF: STATE 82575

1. (SBU) On August 17, Rudra Nepal, Under Secretary for UN and International Organizations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, told Emboff that his government would wait until "closer to the election" on September 17 for the UNESCO Director General before deciding on a candidate. Emboff conveyed the U.S. preferences for candidates as per reftel request. The Under Secretary was amused that the United States lobbied on the behalf of five out of the nine candidates.
MOON